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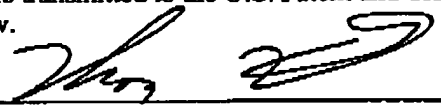
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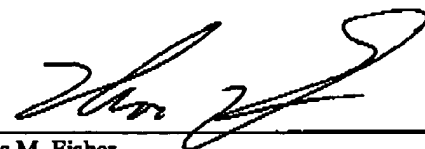
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(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

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(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

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_____ first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
_____ second month	\$ 430.00	\$ 215.00
_____ third month	\$ 980.00	\$ 490.00
_____ fourth month	\$1,530.00	\$ 765.00
_____ fifth month	\$2,080.00	\$1,040.00

Fee: \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

_____ An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$
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OR

(b) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$

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In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: